(viii) Shri N.C. Singhal, Former Vice Chairman, SCICI Ltd. — Member

(ix) Shri Mohan Rao, Executive Director, Vipur Shipping & Treasurer Shipyards Association of India (SAI) — Member

(x) Dr. Leo Barnes, General Secretary, NUSI, Mumbai — Member

(xi) Shri Praveen Agarwal, Deputy Director General (S) — Member Secretary

(xii) Any other member may be co-opted by the Chairman

2. **Terms of Reference :**

(1) To define and evaluate the role of shipping in the transport infrastructure of the country;

(2) To identify measures for developing the national merchant fleet with special reference to the fiscal and other incentives, cargo and allied support mechanisms/required for Indian flag vessels.

(3) To details the measures called for the modernisation of the national fleet having regard to developments in the international maritime fiield.

(4) To recommend methods for integrating the growth and development of the shipping industry with the development of ports infrastructure.

(5) In the context of the increasingly important role envisaged for the shipping industry in the overall development of the economy, to detail a strategy for manpower development, marine education and training which would ensure adequate manpower both for Indian Shipping as also to meet the increasing demands of the world maritime industry.

(6) To recommend measures to increase the employment of Indian seafarers would-wide through suitable placement agencies that would insulate them from exploitative employment practices.

(7) To consider and recommended measures for development of coastal shipping and study of the investment aspect for creating requisite capacity and deployment of suitable type of vessels for coastal shipping.

(8) To recommend any changes that may be required in existing legislation relating to shipping to ensure the balanced and all round development of the industry.

(9) Any other matter of importance.

3. The Chairman of the Committee is requested to submit the report within two months.

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(R. MUKUNDAN)
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Promotion of Sanskrit

5604. SHRI R.B. RAI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are proposals sent by the Government of West Bengal for the propagation and promotion of Sanskrit, Hindi, Nepali and Padri languages and literature of approval; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Transfer of Property and Royalty for Defence Forces

5605. SHRI SOHANVEER SINGH : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the names of those persons who have transferred their property and royalty on their books and other writings in the name of defence forces of the country;

(b) the income being accured by the forces therefrom;

(c) whether the Government has been authorised to sell the copy rights of any of the individuals to a private company for a certain amount; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the ioss suffered by the Government therefrom ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.